(d) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the remedial steps Government propose to take to remove the disparity?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI PABAN SINGH GHATOWAR): (a) to (e) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

श्रम मंत्रालय के अधीन विभिन्न उपक्रमों में भ्रष्टाचार

4160. **श्री ईश दत्त यादव**: क्या श्रम मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि उनके मंत्रालय के अधीन कार्यरत उपक्रमों/संगठनों में भ्रष्टचार के समाचार प्राप्त हुए हैं;

(ख) यदि हां, तो गत तीन वर्षों के दौरान कितने अधिकारियों के विरुद्ध कार्यवाही की गई है और उनमें से कितने अधिकारियों को नौकरी से निकाल दिया गया है; और

(ग) इस संबंध में अन्य ब्यौरा क्या है?

श्रम मंत्रालय में उप मंत्री (श्री पवन सिंह घटोबर): (क) से (ग) सूचना एकत्र की जा रही है और यथा शीघ्र इसको सभा पटल पर रख दिया जायेगा।

Pending Cases in Industrial Tribunals of Delhi

4161. SHRI AJIT P. K JOGI:
SHRI CHHOTUBHAI PATEL:

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of industrial disputes in the Tribunals of Delhi for the last ten years; and

(b) the steps being taken by Government for the speedy disposal of such cases?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI PABAN SINGH GHATOWAR): (a) According to Delhi Administration 415 industrial disputes were pending as on 30.9.1992 in the Industrial Tribunals and Labour Courts of Delhi.

(b) Old pending cases are being reviewed periodically. The Presiding Officers of Labour Courts and Industrial Tribunals have also been advised to accord priority to old cases by giving very short adjournments so that they are disposed of expeditiously.

Decline of women workforce

4162. SHRI BISHAMBHAR NATH PANDE: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the percentage of women in the workforce is on the decline and is expected to decline further;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) what measures Government are planning to undertake to check this decline?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI PABAN SINGH GHATOWAR): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Question does not arise.

Purchase of safety Shoes

@4162-A. PROF. SAURIN BHATTACHARYA: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Directorate General of Mines Safety has not yet approved the safety shoes being manufactured by Central Government Public Undertakings;

@Previously Unstarred Question 3931 transferred from 18th December, 1992.